

New Appointee Joins Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee

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WASHINGTON — The United States Mint is pleased to announce the appointment of Mary N. Lannin to the Citizens Coinage Advisory Committee (CCAC). Ms. Lannin fills the vacancy created this year by the expiration of the appointment of Michael Olson. Ms. Lannin was appointed based on the recommendation of House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi and will serve for a statutory term of four years.

A well-known freelance editor, Ms. Lannin has worked on various numismatic papers and publications. Her die study of Alexander II Zabinas at Antioch, co-authored with Arthur Houghton, will be published by the American Numismatic Society in the upcoming Hellenistic Studies volume. She has researched and assisted other scholars who are contributing to this study. Other studies of Antioch's Hellenistic coinage (Alexander I, Demetrius II) are in the planning stage.

She is a Life Member of both the American Numismatic Society and American Numismatic Association, and is currently a member of the Royal Numismatic Society, the Swiss Numismatic Society, the San Francisco Ancient Numismatic Society and the New York Numismatic Club.

A member of the Ancient Arts Council of the Legion of Honor (San Francisco), Ms. Lannin is also a member of the Asian Art Museum (San Francisco), San Francisco Museum of Modern Art, LACMA (Los Angeles). She is a volunteer staff member at the Legion of Honor, currently evaluating the 50 most valuable holdings for the museum and the City of San Francisco. She holds a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Minnesota (1969) and attended Trinity College, Washington D.C.

The CCAC, established by an Act of Congress in 2003, advises the Secretary of the Treasury on theme or design proposals relating to circulating coinage, bullion coinage, Congressional Gold Medals and other medals produced by the United States Mint. The CCAC also makes commemorative coin recommendations to the Secretary and advises on the events, persons or places to be commemorated, as well as on the mintage levels and proposed designs.

The CCAC is subject to the authority of the Secretary of the Treasury. The United States Mint is responsible for providing necessary and appropriate administrative support, technical services and advice.

The CCAC submits an annual report to Congress and the Secretary of the Treasury, describing its activities and providing recommendations.

The United States Mint was created by Congress in 1792. This year marks the bureau's 222th anniversary. The United States Mint is the Nation's sole manufacturer of legal tender coinage and is responsible for producing circulating coinage for the Nation to conduct its trade and commerce. The United States Mint also produces numismatic products including proof, uncirculated and commemorative coins; Congressional Gold Medals; and silver, gold and platinum bullion coins. The United States Mint's numismatic programs are self-sustaining and operate at no cost to the taxpayer.

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